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**THOUGHT IT WAS "PIANO TALK."**

Abstracted Clerk Who Got Into Trouble with an Inquisitive Guest.

An absent-minded clerk and an inquisitive guest managed to get tangled up on an argument at the Waldorf that almost led to blows. Both were perfectly innocent in the matter, but enough ill-feeling was engendered to justify an international dispute. The Waldorf has on the first floor a reception-room and parlor. This is utilized for all kinds of entertainments. One day an act sale is held there, the next a display of fancy work, perhaps a musical performance, and so on. The other afternoon a musical program was given in this reception room, and that was what caused all the trouble. The door leading to the room, which is usually open to all, was watched by an attendant who demanded cards. This aroused the curiosity of the inquisitive guest. He walked around the corridor eying the room from every possible point of vantage, and then walked up to the clerk and said to the clerk, who was writing in a large ledger:

"What is going on in there?"

The clerk jabbed his pen in the inkstand and replied tersely: "I guess it is a bird recital."

Then he continued his writing with never a quiver of an eyelash. The inquisitive guest contracted his eyebrows, then he looked for a lurking gleam of amusement in the clerk's eye, but found none. Then he turned and wandered into the cafe to think over the problem. After due deliberation he came to the conclusion that it was not all straight and he came back. He expected to see the clerk give some account of amusement when he approached the desk, but instead the man behind the onyx was immersed more than ever in the big book. The guest repeated his question, saying:

"What did you say was going on in that parlor?"

The clerk never raised his eyebrows, but muttered something about "four and seven make eleven and—" adding "I didn't say."

"Don't know, but I think it's a piano talk."

The mystery was deepening, and the inquisitive man saw no way out of the difficulty except to go and see for himself. He could detect nothing in the clerk's manner that warranted him in believing that he was being made the butt of a joke, but he was confident that it was not all straight. So he walked up and purchased a ticket and went inside. In a few moments he came out and he had a look of set determination upon his face. He walked up to the desk, and in a rough voice he demanded:

"What did you say was going on in that room?"

The clerk was startled at the gruff tone and looked up from his book. He saw that the man was angry, clear enough, and he wondered at his persistence in asking about the entertainment. He said, quietly:

"I said I was not sure, but I thought it was a piano recital."

"You didn't!" thundered the inquisitive man.

"What did I say?" asked the clerk, meekly.

"You said first it was a bird recital," said the man. "And then you said it was a piano talk, and now you say it's a piano recital. I'm not in the habit of being fooled, and you know what it was all the time, for you told me straight enough when you knew I had found out. I paid two dollars just to find out what was going on in that hole, so I could catch you straight. You are altogether too recent for this place, I didn't."

The guest might have gone on talking indefinitely, had not the clerk apologized in the most penitent manner. He said, contritely:

"Well, you see it is this way. We have had talks, piano recitals, musicals, picture exhibitions, and I don't know how many other kinds of affairs, in there. I was busy with the books and I got tangled up. I did not mean to mislead you." The guest was mollified, but he is not sure yet that he was not being "jollied," to use his own expression.—N. Y. Tribune.

**A Busy Bee.**

There is anything more dangerous than a woman let loose in the spring with a pot of green paint it is the small boy who owns any apparatus for making his mark. Not long ago some misguided parents furnished an enterprising urchin with a stencil stamp and ink pad which would print the family name. No special warnings on the subject were considered necessary, but one fatal day the mother of the lad made a startling discovery in her handkerchief box. Every handkerchief she owned had a huge purple signboard stamped conspicuously on one of its corners, the work, of course, of the small boy and the result. She had not the heart to bestow so severe a reprimand on the infant artist, so now at intervals, when she flourishes a dainty embroidered handkerchief with a neat ink stain on its border, she has to submit to this harassing exclamation:

"Wasn't that nice in me, mamma, to print your name so big on all your handkerchiefs?" — Louisville-Courier Journal.

Properly Deceased.

discussing old college days.

you remember Brown."

replied the second.

I haven't heard of him since he left college, but he was married."

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**GERMAN-AMERICANS.**

They Are Almost Unanimous for Sound Money.

Mr. Gustav H. Schwab is president of the German society of New York city and is therefore in touch with Germans and German-Americans in this country. Being also a prominent business man, he is familiar with the views of Germans on the financial question. In an interview on May 14 he said:

I am convinced from my knowledge of my German-American fellow citizens and their ways of thinking that the vast majority of them in the coming political contest will entirely disregard party lines and will vote for that party which declares for the maintenance, beyond a possibility of doubt, of the gold standard of value, and that they will not give their suffrage to any candidate who may be suspected of a leaning toward free silver coinage or toward any compromise with the silver people.

They consider that the paramount question before the country at present is the integrity of our monetary system, and their votes will go to that party which they believe will uphold the country's financial honor, regardless of what their views may be on other political questions. Previous experience has shown that German voters on questions relating to or affecting the standard of value have always stood for common honesty, and that they have uniformly opposed all forms of financial heresy.

When, 20 years ago, the paper money inflation question was agitated in Missouri, the Germans of that state were arrayed on the side of sound money. The Germans of Illinois are on record as always having been on the right side of the money question, and as never having been led astray by cheap money propaganda at any time. A German business man, cashier in a large bank in Chicago, who has a wide acquaintance with the small bankers and merchants throughout the west, tells me that he has had occasion to hear expressions from his German countrymen for years past on the question of a monetary standard, and that he has never yet found one who was not in favor of the gold standard and opposed to the free coinage of silver.

His opinion is that the German citizens of Illinois are unanimously opposed to any impairment of the present gold standard.

It is a fact, universally known, that the sound-money victory in Ohio in the gubernatorial campaign of 1875, in which Rutherford B. Hayes ran on a republican hard-money platform against William Allen on a democratic paper-money inflation platform, was due to the firm stand taken by the Germans, who, disregarding party lines, turned the scale in the election in favor of honest money. This fact was conceded at the time by the republican press of the state, and the democratic candidate voiced the sentiments of his party leaders when he gave utterance to his lacerated feelings after the election by exclaiming: "The Dutch are a damned unreliable." The German voters are certainly not to be relied upon when they are asked to prostitute the country's financial honor at their party's bidding. In the state of Wisconsin the Germans have taken the same united stand in favor of sound money, and the same may be said of Michigan, Iowa and Minnesota.

The entire German newspaper press in this country, with few exceptions, is emphatically for sound money, as it has been in the past, and can be depended upon to pronounce in favor of the maintenance of the present standard of value and for the party that represents this principle, regardless of previous party affiliations. Several important German democratic papers in the western states have already threatened to bolt their ticket if a free silver plank should be adopted. As an indication of the general sentiment of the German press I refer to the position taken by the largest and oldest German newspaper in the south, the Democrat, of Louisville, in the last state election in Kentucky. Although always democratic up to that time, this paper bolted the democratic free silver candidate and urged the election of the republican sound money candidate for governor.

The importance of the German vote will be apparent when the numerical strength of the German-American population in the pivotal states is considered. The returns of the census of 1890 show that the state of New York then contained 972,663 German-Americans, Ohio, 541,307; Illinois, 690,588; Pennsylvania, 472,423; Michigan, 276,254; Wisconsin, 351,834; Minnesota, 214,434; Iowa, 269,603; and Missouri, 297,095.

Whatever may be the decision of the national conventions on the money question, this issue will be fairly, squarely and most thoroughly fought before the German voter in the course of the campaign, and as to the nature of his response I do not entertain the slightest doubt.

**Simple Question for Silver Leaders.**

Who would be benefited by adulteration of the currency? Not the farmers. They could not be better off if they got two 50-cent dollars where they get now one 100-cent dollar, and that is the utmost Tillman would be able to give them. But the fearful contraction of the currency caused by a collapse of standard money to the 50-cent cheap silver standard would create such hard times that for years workmen would get hardly more 50-cent dollars than they get now 100-cent dollars. How would that benefit them? Neither Altgeld nor Tillman has ever explained this simple question.—Chicago Tribune.

**The Tail Too Small to Wag the Dog.**

The total population of the silver mining communities, including all those who are directly or indirectly dependent on silver money for a living, cannot exceed 700,000. Why should the interests of the 70,000,000 people of the United States be sacrificed to the supposed interests of this small fraction of their number? Isn't it a pretty insignificant tail to wag such a stupendous dog? — St. Paul Pioneer Press.

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**RESOURCES.**

Loans and discounts	\$ 276,913.18
Overdrafts	2,450.30
Other st. b. n. d. s. & r. t. g. s.	33,055.43
Due fr. Nat. b. n. k. s.	50,732.03
Due fr. State B. n. k. s. & B. n. k. s.	344.28
Real est. r. t. f. n. i. r. e. & f. i. t. s.	3,349.32
Current exp. n. s. & taxes p. d.	1,456.95
Checks and other cash items	851.37
Specie	885.87
Legal tender notes	\$ 422.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 354,460.63</b>

**LIABILITIES.**

Capital stock paid in	\$ 201,000.00
Undivided Profits	\$ 379.94
Dividends unpaid	6.00
Indiv. d. e. p. o. s. i. t. s. b. j. e. c. t. e. d. t. o. c. h. k. s.	140,689.76
Due to National Banks	2,009.58
Due to State Banks, Private Banks and Bankers	1,784.55
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 354,460.63</b>

State of Virginia, County of Tazewell, ss:

I, Henry Preston, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HENRY PRESTON, Cashier.

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